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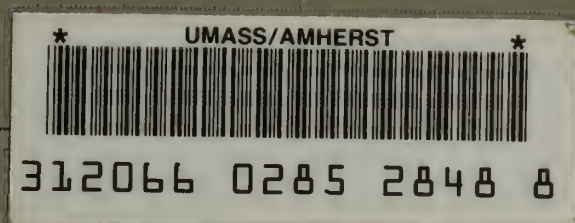
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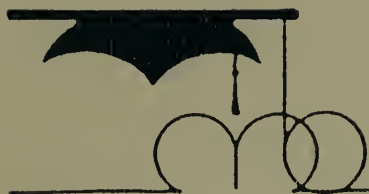


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MORTAR BOARD

The idea for this booklet was originated by the 1984-1985 Isogon Chapter of Mortar Board. They began the compilation of data concerning all academically orientated honor societies at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

With the assistance of the Dean of Student's Office and the Office of Alumni Affairs, we, the 1985-1986 Isogon Chapter of Mortar Board, completed what our predecessors had begun. We hope it will serve as an invaluable resource to present as well as potential students.

Mortar Board is a National Senior Honor Society. Membership is based on scholarship, leadership, and service. This booklet adds to our list of other accomplishments such as initiating the reinstatement of the Dean's List, and working on events such as Parents Weekends and the Honor Societies Social.

The process for accumulating such a vast amount of information was complicated. It is possible that some honor societies were mistakenly left out; we apologize for any omissions.

My special thanks to all of those who gave unselfishly of their time and efforts.

Sincerely,

Keith M. Sherman
President
Mortar Board
1985-1986

Compiled by the Mortar Board Honor Society, with the assistance of the Office of the Dean of Students and the Office of Alumni Affairs.

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Fields in Which Societies Function

Fields of Study

All academic fields or
general scholarship

Accounting

Agriculture

Classics

Continuing Education

Education

Engineering, all
Electrical
Industrial
Mechanical

Food & Natural Resources

Forensics (Debate)

Forestry

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Liberal Arts

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Honor Societies

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA

Alpha Lambda Delta is a national freshman honor society. The purpose of this society is to encourage superior scholastic achievement in students' first year in institutions of higher education, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning, and to help students recognize their own potential in society.

Eligibility is based on a G.P.A. of 3.7 the first year of enrollment and completion of at least 24 graded credits. The student must also be registered for a full course of study leading to a bachelor's degree. Initiation is during the sophomore year. Once initiated the individual holds a lifetime membership. Thirteen fellowships are awarded yearly for graduate study.

Members participate in service projects on our campus, among them Parents Day, Dean's List Parents Weekend, reading for the blind, and tutoring.

For further information:

Gladys Rodriguez

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ALPHA PI MU

Alpha Pi Mu is an Industrial Engineering Honor Society recognizing both juniors and seniors meeting the highest standards of character and scholarship.

Membership eligibility is based on academic standing. Juniors are selected from the upper 20 percent of their class. Seniors are selected from the upper 1/3 of their class in industrial engineering. Graduate students are also selected based on faculty recommendation and outstanding achievement.

The society strives to promote academic responsibility and to encourage personal development in an institution of higher education.

Alpha Pi Mu sponsors a speaker series, faculty banquets and lectures, as well as a tutoring program.

For further information:

Robert J. Graves
Industrial Engineering & Operations
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ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA

Alpha Sigma Lambda is the oldest national honor society specifically devoted to encouraging academic excellence among continuing education students. It was founded nearly 40 years ago to provide motivation for adults to pursue degree programs.

Membership in this honor society is available at a relatively early stage in an academic career. Students must have completed at least 30 semester credits, nine of them in the Division of Continuing Education at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, with a G.P.A. of 3.2 or above.

Beta Alpha, the local chapter, strives to create a feeling of identity among continuing education students, to provide necessary services to students, and to develop ways of improving the effectiveness of the Division of Continuing Education in serving its student population.

For further information:

Donna Stephenson
Division of Continuing Education
113 Tower Library
545-3430

ALPHA ZETA

Alpha Zeta is a national honor society that recognizes outstanding students in the College of Food and Natural Resources, including Home Economics and Hotel, Restaurant and Travel Administration.

Members are selected from the upper 20 percent of the class after interview by a pledge committee. Members must demonstrate a desire to contribute to the campus community.

Alpha Zeta's goal is to be an active contributor to the college community. In the past they have provided tutoring programs and a rabies inoculation service which reached 1,800 animals.

Alpha Zeta offers scholarships to undergraduate students. Both undergraduate and graduate students may qualify.

For further information:

Joseph A. Keohan
Administrative Dept.
210 Stockbridge (State 4-H)
545-2646

BETA ALPHA PSI

Beta Alpha Psi is an accounting honor society which is a part of the National Accounting Honor Fraternity. The purpose of this society is to promote high achievement in accounting and to inform students about career opportunities in accounting.

Students are selected for membership if they have an overall G.P.A. of 3.4 and a major G.P.A. of 3.5.

Beta Alpha Psi provides presentations and information concerning the corporate workplace, in addition to a comprehensive accounting tutoring program.

For further information:

James P. O'Connell
Accounting Dept.
School of Management
549-4930

BETA GAMMA SIGMA

Beta Gamma Sigma is only open to business students. Members are selected from the top five percent of the junior class and the top ten percent of the senior class. Awards are presented by the School of Management.

For further information:

Ronald Karren
Management Dept.
School of Management
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DELTA SIGMA RHO—TAU KAPPA ALPHA

Delta Sigma Rho—Tau Kappa Alpha is a National Debate Honor Fraternity. The fraternity strives to recognize outstanding debators and to refine the talents of critical thinking and persuasion.

Membership is limited to those who have participated in debate for at least two years, are in the upper 30 percent of their class, and have made an outstanding contribution to the debate program. Students are voted in, based on these three criteria, by the membership of the chapter. Membership is also open to faculty coaches.

For further information:

Joseph Willmore
South College
545-2055

ETA KAPPA NU

Eta Kappa Nu is a national honor society for students majoring in electrical engineering. The purpose of this society is to foster excellence in engineering.

Membership is based on scholastic achievement. Students must be in the upper 25 percent of their class at the end of their junior year and in the upper 1/3 at the end of their senior year.

Eta Kappa Nu provides tutorial services, scholarships, awards for outstanding teaching, and sponsors social events between students and faculty.

For further information:

Electrical & Computer Engineering Dept.
Marcus Hall
545-0962

*ETA SIGMA DELTA*_____

Eta Sigma Delta, the International Management Society, recognizes outstanding achievement in the study of Hotel, Restaurant and Travel Administration.

Eligibility for membership is based on an overall G.P.A. of 3.2 and good standing within the department.

Eta Sigma Delta promotes student professionalism within the hospitality industry and among students within the department. The Society sponsors preregistration counseling and tutoring, and aids in departmental selection.

For further information:

Albert L. Wrisley
Hotel, Restaurant and Travel Administration Dept.
Flint Laboratory
545-2071

*ETA SIGMA PHI*_____

Eta Sigma Phi is a classical national honor society which serves to promote scholarship and fellowship among students interested in Greek, Latin, and classical civilization.

The requirement for membership is the completion of six college credits in the language of either Ancient, New Testament, or Modern Greek, or of Latin, with an average of 3.00 or above in these six credits.

Eta Sigma Phi strives to promote classical scholarship, sponsoring Greek and Latin language contests, and offering annual scholarships to the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Greece, and to the American Academy in Rome, Italy.

Epsilon Omicron, the local chapter, has a wider scope and mixture of classical study and social activity, including sponsorship of slide lectures on classical subjects, Latin tutoring, academic advising, classical book and tee-shirt sales, and cultural events and receptions.

For further information:

Edward Phinney
Classics Dept.
533 Herter Hall
545-0512

GOLDEN KEY

The purpose of the Golden Key National Honor Society is to recognize and encourage outstanding scholastic achievement across all fields of study.

Membership is by invitation for juniors and seniors who have maintained at least a 3.5 cumulative average. Two scholarships are awarded annually to the top junior and senior initiates of the chapter.

For further information:

Arthur Quinton
Physics Dept.
Hasbrouck Hall
545-0977 or 545-2407

KAPPA DELTA PI

Kappa Delta Pi is an international honor society that promotes excellence in and recognition of outstanding contributions to education. It endeavors to maintain a high degree of professional fellowship among its members and to develop professional growth by honoring achievement in educational work.

Membership is limited to individuals who exhibit commendable personal qualities, worthy educational ideals, academic achievement (upper fifth), and active involvement in educational projects. Selection is also based on recommendation of education professionals.

The society publishes *The Educational Forum* and *Kappa Delta Pi Record*.

For further information:

Clement Seldin
School of Education
Furcolo Hall
545-4707

LEAR

LEAR is an honor society for Stockbridge School of Agriculture seniors. The purpose of this society is to encourage high scholarship.

The requirement is a 3.4 cumulative average. Certificates are presented to students and names announced at Stockbridge graduation.

For further information:

John Denison
110 Stockbridge Hall
545-2222

MORTAR BOARD

Mortar Board is a senior honor society. Its purpose is to support the ideals of the University, to advance the spirit of scholarship, to recognize and encourage leadership, and to provide service to the campus community.

Membership in Mortar Board is based on scholarship, leadership and service. Students must be at least in their junior year or equivalent status and have a G.P.A. of 3.2 or above. They must also have demonstrated leadership abilities and service to the University and/or community. There are 35 members selected each year; the members are required to serve the community during their senior year.

Mortar Board performs various service projects for the University. Its members strive to promote unity among honor societies and have compiled a booklet listing the honor societies at the University of Massachusetts. Their past and present activities include reactivating the Dean's List and working on Parents Weekend and other social activities.

For further information:

William F. Field
Dean of Students Office
227 Whitmore Administrative Bldg.
545-2684

OMICRON NU

Omicron Nu is the first National Home Economics Honor Society that recognizes superior graduate achievement in addition to undergraduate scholastic excellence. It promotes scholarship and research potential in all areas relevant to the field of home economics.

Eligibility requirements are ranking in the top 10 percent of the junior class with at least a G.P.A. of 3.0, and in the top 20 percent of the senior class with at least a G.P.A. of 3.0.

For further information:

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PHI ALPHA THETA

Phi Alpha Theta is a National History Honor Society. This society recognizes and encourages excellence in the study of history. It also strives to create an atmosphere conducive to learning history.

Eligibility for membership is based on completion of at least 12 credits of History with at least a 3.1 cumulative average in these particular courses, and an overall G.P.A. of 3.0. The selection process involves completion of an application and selection by current members.

Phi Alpha Theta publishes a journal, sponsors scholarship programs for members, sponsors socials, and provides recognition for history majors.

For further information:

Jane Rausch
History Dept.
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PHI BETA KAPPA

Phi Beta Kappa is a national honor society that recognizes undergraduate students with outstanding academic achievement in liberal arts.

Members are selected from the top 10 percent of the senior class earning a bachelor's degree from the College of Arts and Sciences. Selection is also based on a well rounded distribution of courses, among them math, science, social and behavioral sciences, languages, and classical studies.

For further information:

Sheldon Goldman
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545-0406

PHI KAPPA PHI

Phi Kappa Phi is a national honor society that recognizes superior scholarship in all academic disciplines.

Candidates do not apply but are selected if they meet the requirements: seniors must rank in the upper 10 percent of their class; juniors may be considered if they rank in the upper 5 percent of their class.

Freshmen and sophomores are recognized with certificates to encourage their continued academic excellence.

More than twenty five fellowships are available for graduate work through the Phi Kappa Phi Foundation.

For further information:

Benjamin Ricci
Exercise Science Dept.
230 Boyden
545-1337

PI SIGMA ALPHA

Pi Sigma Alpha is a National Political Science Honor Society. The purpose of this society is to stimulate productive scholarship and intelligent interest in the subject of government among students at institutions of higher education.

Pi Sigma Alpha sponsors a senior awards dinner and an informal social event with professors and speakers. This society entitles members to a higher civil service grade.

For further information:

Eric Einhorn
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PI TAU SIGMA

Pi Tau Sigma is a national honor society that encourages and recognizes outstanding scholarship achievement of undergraduate students in mechanical engineering. It also honors practicing engineers for distinguished technical attainments.

Membership is limited to senior mechanical engineering students who rank among the top 33 percent in scholarship for all courses, and to juniors who rank in the top 25 percent of their class. Faculty and graduate students may be chosen on the basis of distinguished engineering endeavor.

Pi Tau Sigma's activities include fundraisers, seminars, and an orientation program for freshmen and sophomores.

For further information:

Kenneth G. Picha
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Engineering Laboratory
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PSI CHI

Psi Chi is the American Psychological Association and national honor society for psychology majors. Its purpose is to advance the science of psychology and to encourage, stimulate, and maintain scholarship, particularly in the discipline of psychology.

Any student may apply after completing 12 credits in psychology. The minimum requirements are an overall G.P.A. of 3.2 and one faculty recommendation.

For further information:

Harry Schumer
Psychology Dept.
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SIGMA THETA TAU

Sigma Theta Tau is a national honor society that recognizes superior scholarship and leadership achievement at the undergraduate and graduate level in the field of nursing. It promotes higher professionalism in students along with strengthening a commitment to the development of technology which benefits health care.

The University of Massachusetts chapter, Beta Zeta, bases its selection criteria on academics and recommendations. Students submit an application, membership endorsements from two faculty and a current member, and a copy of their transcript. Selection for undergraduates is based on a G.P.A. of 3.0 and ranking in the upper 35 percent of their class. Graduate students are selected based on grade point average. Community leaders who have a B.S. degree and have demonstrated a significant contribution to nursing education, practice, research, or publication are also eligible.

Sigma Theta Tau's activities include a journal publication, conferences, colloquia, and scholarships.

For further information:

Christine King
Division of Nursing
Arnold House
545-1341

SIGMA XI

Sigma Xi is a national honor society for the natural and physical sciences. It promotes original scientific creativity and accomplishment. The University of Massachusetts chapter is the oldest in the country.

Membership in Sigma Xi is based on scientific creativity, development of experiments, and scientific journal publishing records. *Full membership is reserved to faculty and graduate students.* Associate membership is open to undergraduates demonstrating an outstanding ability to decipher the complexities of nature. Members are nominated by existing members and faculty.

Sigma Xi sponsors small research and travel grants, lecturers and rewards for achievement.

For further information:

Jefferson M. Koonce
Industrial Engineering &
Operations Research Dept.
Marston Hall
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TAU BETA PI

Tau Beta Pi is a national honor society that recognizes high academic achievement in all engineering disciplines. Zeta, the University of Massachusetts chapter, seeks to encourage a more casual meeting place for engineers.

Students in their junior year are selected from the upper 1/8 of their class. Seniors are selected from the upper 1/5 of their class. Candidates meeting academic requirements must complete projects and demonstrate an understanding of the society. Initiation takes place twice a year and the society has a membership of 40 to 120.

Tau Beta Pi members speak to high school engineers, provide engineering tutoring, and career consultation.

For further information:

Fred C. Stockton
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545-2779

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM_____

The University Honors Program offers gifted students with a variety of scholastic interests an opportunity to interact socially and academically. It is open, by invitation, to first-year students based on their SAT scores and high school class rank. University students with G.P.A.s of at least 3.2 are also eligible, providing they have successfully completed an Honors course. The University Honors Program (UH) stresses breadth of study: students complete a minimum of six Honors courses in subjects of their own choosing. Students completing the UH program graduate with the designation of "Commonwealth Scholar" on their diploma, and may request a Dean's letter of recommendation.

The Departmental Honors Program (DH) stresses depth of study in advanced courses in the student's major subject. DH Program participants are eligible to graduate magna or summa cum laude. Many Honors students complete an integrated four year Honors experience by completing both programs. These students graduate with fullest credentialing, and their majors are designated HR.

The Honors Program offers the camaraderie and support that only a small program can offer — challenging classes, individual instruction, personal academic advising, an Honors Residential Program at Orchard Hill, a newsletter, and several social events. To remain members in good standing, Honors students must maintain a minimum 3.2 G.P.A. and earn Bs or better in at least six Honors courses.

For further information:

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XI SIGMA PI

Xi Sigma Pi is a National Forestry Honor Society. The purpose of this society is to secure and maintain a high standard of scholarship in forest resource management education, to work for the improvement of the forestry profession, and to promote a fraternal spirit among those engaged in activities related to forest resources.

Membership is open to students completing their second semester of the junior year, ranking in the upper 25 percent of their class or with a G.P.A. of 3.0, and majoring in forestry, wildlife biology, wood technology, or natural resources.

For further information:

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Additional copies may be obtained from the Dean of Students Office, 227 Whitmore; or from the Honors Program Office, E23 Machmer Hall.

